

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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RURAL BRANCHES OF PRIVATE SECTOR BANK
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has provided licences to private sector Banks to open their branches in rural areas in the country; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PA WAN KUMAR BANSAL)

(a) & (b): The number of rural branches of private sector banks in various States / Union Territories, as on 30th June, 2007, is as under:-

Andhra Pradesh (60), Chandigarh (2), Goa (7), Gujarat (9), Haryana (5), Himachal Pradesh (2), Jammu & Kashmir (198), Jharkhand (1), Karnataka (123), Kerala (106), Maharashtra (81), Orissa (1), Pondicherry(I), Punjab (7), Rajasthan (98), Sikkim (1), Tamilnadu (256), Uttar Pradesh (4), Uttarkhand (18) and West Bengal (3).